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Sir:

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If the Examiner would like hard copies of any reference that is on the CD, please contact the undersigned and they will be provided.

The CD containing the U.S. and Foreign patents are in .pdf format and can be viewed by selecting the appropriate patent number.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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